In the Claims:

1. **(currently amended)** A pigment composition comprising

(a) 60 to **[[**90%**]]** 80% by weight based on the weight of the composition of an organic pigment selected from the group consisting of disazo pigments, metal complex pigments and naphthol pigments,

(b) ~~1 to 10%~~ 2 to 6% by weight based on the weight of the composition of a hyperdispersant which is a reaction product of a poly(lower alkylene)-imine with a polyester having a free carboxylic acid group, in which there are at least two polyester chains attached to each poly(lower alkylene)-imine,

(c) ~~1 to 10%~~ 2 to 6% by weight based on the weight of the composition of a synergistic additive, wherein the synergistic additive is an asymmetric disazo compound comprising a central divalent group free from ionic substituents, linked through azo groups to two monovalent end groups, the first being free from any ionic groups and the second being a substituted ammonium carboxylate group, substituted ammonium phosphonate group or substituted ammonium sulfonate group,

(d) ~~1 to 10%~~ 3 to 8% by weight based on the weight of the composition of a solvent, wherein the solvent is an aliphatic or aromatic hydrocarbon distillate fraction of boiling points in the range of 100 to 350°C or is a triglyceride vegetable oil in which the fatty acid moieties have a chain length of 12 to 24 carbon atoms, and

(e) ~~0 to 40%~~ 2 to 30% by weight based on the weight of the composition of rosin or a modified rosin, wherein the modified rosin is a rosin (acid) metal resinate, a rosin ester, a pentaerythritol rosin and a rosin-modified phenolic resin, a vegetable oil based rosin ester, a hydrogenated rosin, a disproportionated rosin, or a dimerised, polymerised or part-polymerised rosin, or mixtures thereof.

2-3. **(cancelled)**

4. **(currently amended)** The pigment composition according to claim **[[**3**]]** 1, wherein the hyperdispersant (b) is a reaction product of poyethyleneimine ~~of a molecular weight range of 500 to 100'000~~ with a polyester derived from a hydroxycarboxylic acid of the formula HO-X-COOH, wherein

X is a divalent saturated or unsaturated aliphatic radical contaning at least 8 carbon atoms, and in which there are at least 4 carbon atoms between the carboxylic and the hydroxy groups.

5-8. **(cancelled)**.

9. **(previously presented)** An oil-based printing ink for lithographic printing containing as colourant a pigment composition acording to claim 1.

10. **(original):** The printing ink according to claim 9 containing as colourant 5 to 50% of the pigment composition, and optionally further customary additives.

11. **(previously presented)** A process for preparing the printing ink according to claim 9 which comprises dispersing the pigment composition into a lithographic printing ink system.

12. **(previously presented)** A process for preparing the printing ink according to claim 10 which comprises dispersing the pigment composition into a lithographic printing ink system.

13. **(currently amended)** The pigment composition according to claim **[[2]]** 1, wherein the disazo pigment is a diarylide pigment.